

Amendments to Claims

1. (Cancelled)
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7. (Original) A method for making a color image comprising:
 - (1) imagewise exposing to laser radiation a laserable assemblage comprising:
 - (A) a donor element comprising a thermally imageable layer, and
 - (B) a receiver element comprising:
 - (a) a receiver support; and
 - (b) an image receiving layer provided on the surface of the receiver support; whereby the exposed areas of the thermally imageable layer are transferred to the receiver element to form a colorant-containing image on the image receiving layer; and
 - (2) separating the donor element (A) from the receiver element (B), thereby revealing the colorant-containing image on the image receiving layer of the receiver element;
 - (3) optionally applying the colorant-containing image on the image receiving layer of the receiver element to a permanent substrate, and removing the receiver support to transfer the colorant-containing image on the image receiving layer to the permanent substrate, and
 - (4) applying a planarizing element comprising a support and a planarizing layer to the image receiving layer, and removing the support, wherein the planarizing layer is adjacent the colorant-containing image, and wherein the planarizing layer comprises a crosslinkable binder having a weight average molecular weight of about 20,000 to about 110,000.
8. (Original) The method of Claim 7 wherein the crosslinkable binder has a weight average molecular weight of about 30,000 to about 100,000.

9. (Original) The method of Claim 8 wherein the crosslinkable binder has a weight average molecular weight of 50,000 to about 85,000.

10. (Original) The method of Claim 7 wherein the thermally imageable layer, image receiving layer or both comprise a crosslinkable binder having a number average molecular weight of about 1,500 to about 70,000.

11. (Original) The method for making a color image of Claim 7 wherein step (3) is optional, and the receiver support is a transparent material.

12. (Original) The method for making a color image of Claim 7 wherein permanent substrate is a transparent material.

13. (Original) The method for making a color image of Claim 11 or 12 wherein transparent material is glass.

14. (Original) The method for making a color image of Claim 11 or 12 wherein transparent material is treated glass.

15. (Original) The method for making a color image of Claim 11 or 12 wherein the transparent material is a rigid plastic,

16. (Original) The method for making a color image of Claim 15 wherein the rigid plastic is polycarbonate.

17. (Original) The method for making a color image of Claim 7 wherein the crosslinkable binder is a polymer prepared by emulsion polymerization or solution polymerization.

18. (Original) The method for making a color image of Claim 17 wherein the crosslinkable binder is prepared from monomers selected from the group consisting of acrylic acid and esters, methacrylic acid and esters, and styrene.

19. (Original) The method for making a color image of Claim 7 wherein the applying is by laminating.

20. (Original) A method for making a color image comprising:

(1) imagewise exposing to laser radiation a laserable assemblage comprising:

(A) a donor element having a thermally imageable layer, and
(B) a permanent substrate; whereby the exposed areas of the thermally imageable layer are transferred to the permanent

substrate to form a colorant-containing image on the permanent substrate;

(2) separating the donor element (A) from the permanent substrate (B), thereby revealing the colorant-containing image on the permanent substrate, and

(3) applying a planarizing element comprising a support and a planarizing layer to the colorant-containing image, and removing the support, wherein the planarizing layer is adjacent the colorant-containing image, and wherein the planarizing layer comprises a crosslinkable binder having a weight average molecular weight of about 20,000 to about 110,000.

21. (Original) The method of Claim 20 wherein the crosslinkable binder has a weight average molecular weight of about 30,000 to about 100,000.

22. (Currently Amended) The planarizing element method of Claim 21 wherein the crosslinkable binder has a weight average molecular weight of 50,000 to about 85,000.

23. (Original) The method for making a color image of Claim 20 wherein permanent substrate is a transparent material.

24. (Original) The method for making a color image of Claim 23 wherein transparent material is glass.

25. (Original) The method for making a color image of Claim 23 wherein transparent material is treated glass.

26. (Original) The method for making a color image of Claim 23 wherein the transparent material is a rigid plastic,

27. (Original) The method for making a color image of Claim 26 wherein the rigid plastic is polycarbonate.

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